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GOVERNMENT REQUIRES SUBSCRIBERS TO ALL NEWSPAPERS TO PAY IN ADVANCE.

The United States Government has issued an order requiring every newspaper in the United States to adopt at once a strictly paid in advance system. This is a war measure, adopted by the Pulp and Paper section of the War Industries board. This board controls every pulp and paper mill in the nation and any paper which neglects to go on a cash in advance system will be refused news print and compelled to go out of business. The order reads:

2.—No publisher may continue subscriptions * * * * after date of expiration, unless subscriptions are renewed and paid for.

The war purpose of this order is to save paper and coal, to lessen transportation and mail service and conserve labor.

Every newspaper will comply strictly with this order, first, because it is a patriotic duty; second, because it must.

Under the new postal rates the sending of personal notices to each subscriber is very expensive. The label on your paper tells to what date you are paid. To further remind you, all subscribers whose subscriptions are not paid in advance to October 1, 1918, or later, will find a blue pencil mark in the square at the head of this article which means that subscriptions must be paid at once or your paper will be stopped.

The price of The Record is invariably \$1.50 a year, 75c for six months, 50 cents for three months. You can tell how much you owe by remembering that this is 12 1/2 cents a month by the year.

Of course The Record wants all its subscribers to stay. Most of you have been with us a good many years and we feel confident that you will be as loyal to The Record under these new requirements of the government as we all are to the government under the conditions which the war has forced upon us.

COMMITTEES ARE READY FOR LOAN

Arrangements Made for Jackies To Appear in St. Louis, Ithaca and Alma.

VANDERBURG IS SPEAKER

October 1 Will be Big Day of the Loan Campaign in Gratiot County.

Arrangements have been made by J. C. Chick, chairman of the committee on arrangements, and James W. Robinson, county Liberty Loan chairman, to have the Jackie band appear in Ithaca, St. Louis and Alma, when it comes to Gratiot county Tuesday, October 1.

It had at first been planned to have the Jackie band in Alma for half a day, but permission was given to have the band make the side trip to Ithaca and St. Louis and the two men immediately started to make the needed arrangements to have the band appear in both Ithaca and St. Louis. The band will be accompanied to Ithaca from Alma by Company 87, Michigan State Troops, who will also go to St. Louis, and return to Alma with the Jackies. An attempt will also be made to get the Ithaca Home Guards out to appear there and then make the trip by auto to St. Louis and Alma. Automobiles will be needed from Ithaca for this purpose. Mr. Chick has announced. Cars will be supplied in Alma for the Jackies and the state troops for the side trip.

Immediately after arriving in Alma on the early train from the north on October 1, the Jackies will be taken to Ithaca with the state troops, and will appear there from 8:30 until 9:00 a. m. At 9:15 the Jackies will be at St. Louis, where they will play for an hour. At 10:15 they will leave St. Louis for Alma arriving in Alma at 10:30. They will play in Alma until noon.

Applications are already being made to County Chairman James W. Robinson for Liberty Bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan. James Berry, a prominent farmer of Arcadia township has pledged to purchase Liberty Bonds from the proceeds of twenty-five acres of beans, and H. H. Soule of Alma has made application for \$5,000 worth of bonds.

The complete organization of the county for the Fourth Liberty Loan was made public Wednesday. The various township and city chairmen and committees follow:

Local chairmen: Breckenridge, Jay Sexton; St. Louis, Frank Peach; Breckenridge, Charles Federspiel; St. Louis, W. G. West; Ithaca, Ernest Muscott; Alma, L. A. Sharp, W. A. Bahlke, Will Vanderbeck; Elwell, Burton Gee; Riverdale, Elmer Bemis; Alma, E. S. Hubbell; Ithaca, C. S. Betts; North Star, Thos. Hamilton; Ashley, Jas. Anstey; Pompeii, H. C. Reed; Ithaca, S. A. Daniels; Middleton, John R. Hudson, R. Salisbury.

Liberty Loan board: James Robinson, Alma, chairman; L. A. Sharp, Alma, vice chairman; Gaylord Nelson, Ithaca, vice chairman; Dr. A. R. Wheeler, St. Louis, vice chairman.

Executive committee: L. A. Sharp, W. A. Bahlke, A. B. Darragh, C. A. Price, A. F. Crawford.

Advisory committee: A. Chisholm, W. C. Watson, Dr. Graham, Jack Moble, J. Hilsinger, A. E. Fowler, J. R. Hudson, Harry C. Reed, F. L. Convis, W. Steh, Jas. Anstey, F. H. Moulton, Lee Townsend, F. Selby, R. Salisbury, Harry Mead.

Public speakers: John Chick, Alma. Publicity committee: Homer Dunham, C. F. Brown, J. F. Sartor, Alma, J. N. McCall, Ithaca; H. D. Tisdale, St. Louis; Fred Moffatt, Breckenridge, and J. L. Nichols, Riverdale.

Special committees: Fr. O'Toole, Catholic churches; Rev. J. W. Priest, Protestant churches; Gen. N. Church, G. A. R. Posts; Dr. Skinner, Gratiot Sunday schools; Howard Potter, public schools; Dr. L. N. Brainerd, physicians; J. W. Blakely, corporations in Alma; J. E. Fuller, Carl Faunce, F. L. Convis, fraternal organizations.

GREAT LECTURE

Dan Reed of Flint Gave Stirring War Address Last Night.

Under the auspices of the Republic Circle club, Dan Reed of Flint, National Red Cross worker and director of the Chamber of Commerce of his home city, appeared here last night, giving the war lecture with which he has stirred thousands of people in the last few months.

Mr. Reed has been over the battle fields of France and Belgium, has seen the conditions at first hand, has obtained evidence beyond dispute of the horrors of the Hun, and has a knowledge of conditions there. His address held the closest attention of the two hundred Alma residents who went out to the Republic cafeteria to hear him, and without question made their determination to support the men at the front stronger that it has been in the past.

Previous to the address a fine banquet was served, under the direction of Mr. Baillman, who is thoroughly in touch with the needs of such occasions.

SAVE PITS

Government Wants Fruit Pits to Use in Making Carbon.

The War Department has requested the boys' and girls' clubs of the country to help collect fruit pits and nutshells, the carbon in which is used in making gas masks. Contests have been suggested among the million club members by the United States Department of Agriculture and the State agricultural colleges, which conduct the club work, to see which member, which club, which district, and which State can deliver the largest amount of material in the shortest time. Each member should try to furnish at least 200 peach pits, or 7 pounds of shells—enough material for one mask. Since more and better carbon is secured from the pits of peaches, prunes, and plums than from other sources, boys and girls should make it their special business to see that every home in their communities saves the pits of these fruits. They should also visit community and commercial canneries, hotels, restaurants, and bakeries. In addition, seeds should be collected from dates and olives, and shells and whole nuts saved from hickory nuts, butternuts, English and native walnuts, and hazelnuts. The material may be delivered to the local Red Cross headquarters, which are acting as central stations for collecting and shipping.

WOMEN ARE WORKING FOR SUFFRAGE VOTES

Have Organized Entire County of Gratiot and Seeking Votes For Amendment.

The women of Gratiot county are conducting an intensive campaign in behalf of the proposed amendment to the state constitution which will come before the voters in November, and which, if voted upon favorably, will give the women of Michigan the right to the ballot, which they have been seeking for years and nearly obtained years ago.

The ladies have organized the entire county in a thorough manner and have placed a chairman in charge of the work in each of the townships and wards in the cities.

Petitions are being circulated by the ladies under the direction of these chairmen, which are going to the women of the county and they are being asked to sign these petitions if they favor woman suffrage. Reports indicate that about ninety per cent of the women of the county are signing the petitions, said Mrs. Shepard to a Record reporter Tuesday.

Attention has been called to the fact that the third Sunday in October is suffrage Sunday, when all of the pastors in Michigan are urged to devote some portion of their services to the question of woman suffrage.

A big county rally is to be held at the home of Mrs. F. M. Harrington, South Jefferson avenue, Ithaca, on Tuesday, September 24, at 2:30 p. m., at which meeting everyone in the county is urged to be present if possible. Mrs. Ida McPherson of Saginaw, district chairman, will be the speaker.

The chairmen for the townships and wards, who have not handed in their reports, are requested to have them completed and to hand them in at his meeting.

HOWE PICTURES

Lyman Howe Traveling Festival is Coming to Alma Again.

The Lyman Howe Traveling Festival will come to Alma Saturday, October 5, for its semi-annual visit, under the auspices of the Young Men's class of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Frank F. Smith, who has charge of the arrangements for the Lyman Howe pictures informs The Alma Record that two exhibitions will be given, one in the afternoon and another in the evening.

The exhibitions will be held again in the M. E. church on Prospect avenue which was fitted up this spring for the purpose of conducting such enterprises as this.

BIG CALL

Gratiot Called Upon for 148 Men During Fore Part of October.

Secretary C. F. Brown of the Gratiot county draft board has received word that Gratiot county will be called upon to furnish 148 men for the army during the fore part of October.

While the number of men to be called from this county is known, the date on which they will leave for the training camp has not yet been received by the local board. It will probably be during the first week of October, however.

COMBINE OFFICES

The Pere Marquette and Ann Arbor freight offices in this city were combined this week as a war measure and for the duration of the war all of the freight business of the two roads will be conducted at the Pere Marquette freight office on State street.

Wherever it is possible to combine offices, such as those here, they are being combined by the government, releasing in nearly every case, men who can be used in other fields of endeavor, thus conserving man power needed to win the war.

COLLEGE MUSEUM TO BE BARRACKS

Additional Quarters Needed For Members of Students' Army Training Corps.

MAY LIMIT THE ATTENDANCE

Any High School Graduate of Draft Age Eligible for the S. A. T. C.

The large number of applications for membership in the Students' Army Training corps at Alma college this year has now determined the college authorities to turn the museum into a barracks this coming college year, as Pioneer Hall will not be large enough to accommodate all of the young men who will be here this year.

By turning the museum into a barracks along with Pioneer Hall, the college will be able to take care of one hundred and fifty men, and is planning for this number. Applications in excess of this number will be rejected, and there is every evidence that before time for college to start, October 2, the faculty will be forced to turn down applications which are coming in great numbers.

With the certainty that there will be about twice as many men in college this year as ever before and about the same number of young women the attendance figures will smash all records of previous years.

Attention was called by President Crooks yesterday to the fact that no age limit has been placed on the member of the Students' Army Training corps, except that they must be eighteen years old. Any men, physically qualified, and high school graduates, who come in the draft age are eligible for the corps. This would make it possible for a father and son to be enrolled, provided that the father was not 46 and the son was over 18.

It is also said that men who have recently been drafted can be transferred to the college and into the Students' Army Training Corps.

CANNING CLUBS

Exhibits of Canning and Garden Clubs to be Given.

The boys' and girls' clubs are getting ready for achievement day when they will show to their many interested friends some of the results of their summer's work and pleasure and also demonstrate a little of club activities.

The boys and girls are writing stories about their garden or canning and filling out an accurate and honest account of all expenses and income from the garden, both of which are to be sent to headquarters, there to become a part of a national report concerning food and crops. These papers together with a list of all goods canned by the club member and the amount that the mother has canned out of the child's garden only, must be in the hands of the city supervisor, Ella M. Clark, high school, Friday afternoon, September 27, at the latest.

During the morning (till 11 a. m.) of Saturday, September 28, each child is to bring in its exhibit, the nature of which is determined by the kind of club work the child has done. If just a garden member then the exhibit should consist of a small market basket, not overly crowded, but of well selected, well arranged and cleaned products from the garden.

The basket may be originally decorated and may have many variety of vegetables in it. In case of a canning member the display should be a basket of garden truck surrounding two cans of food put up from the member's garden. No basket will be received after 11 o'clock on Saturday morning, September 28.

Mr. Turner of Lansing, assistant state club leader, will be here for achievement day and will judge all work and award the prizes. At 2:15 p. m. September 28, the exhibit will be open to the public and everyone is cordially invited. A program by the children will be given at 2:30 in the high school gymnasium. Club work for the year closes with this event.

ART SUPPLEMENT

Record Will Issue Art Supplement in Connection with Liberty Loan.

Through arrangement with the U. S. Treasury Department The Alma Record is enabled to announce that it will issue an art supplement for the Fourth Liberty Loan with the issue of October 3.

The Record is prohibited from issuing the supplement on September 26, to start out the campaign, the release date having been set for the following Sunday.

One side of this supplement contains a Alco-gravure, "The Burning of New York," painted by Joseph Pennell, while the reverse side carries Herbert Quick's masterpiece, "The Pyrites of Germany are Shaking Dice for the United States."

You should have a photo taken before you are called into the service of your country. See Baker about it.

ASK FOR VOLUNTEERS

It has been decided to use the volunteer system in Gratiot for the first three days of the Fourth Liberty Loan campaign. Booths will be placed at various places where the subscriptions can be made. After three days the committee will be after those who fail to volunteer.

MARRIED RECENTLY

Miss Eda Fryckholm Married to J. Paul Kernan.

Miss Eda Fryckholm and J. Paul Kernan were quietly married on Monday, September 9, this popular couple slipping over to Carson City for the ceremony to keep their many Alma friends from obtaining knowledge of their plan, until after the knot was tied.

Mrs. Kernan has lived in this city for a number of years and has a host of friends here, who extend congratulations. She has been the secretary of President F. W. Ruggles of the Republic and will continue in that capacity in the immediate future.

Mr. Kernan, who was formerly connected with the inventory department of the Republic, resigned his position a short time ago and expects to go into the service in the near future.

POWERS OF CITY OFFICIALS GIVEN

Proposed Charter for Commission Form Gives Duties of Officers.

It will be the aim this week to make clear the duties that will be imposed upon the justices of the peace, the city treasurer, supervisors, city physician, city attorney, city marshal, and other officers, that the city will have if it approves of the new charter at the November elections.

It is provided that the justices of the peace shall, under the charter, have all of the powers given them under the laws which are applying to the city of Alma from the date that the charter goes into force, except that the charter goes into force, except that election and nomination, which shall be set forth in the charter.

It is provided that the city treasurer, subject to the city commission, shall have custody of all moneys, bonds, notes, etc., belonging to the city, and that the city commission may designate one or more depositories in the city, in which the city treasurer shall deposit all money and other named property in his possession by virtue of his office, to be drawn therefrom as provided in the charter. The depositor shall be required to furnish bond, such as the commission may deem necessary. It provides that the treasurer shall collect all state county, and school taxes levied within the city and such taxes as the city may impose. He is required to give a duplicate receipt for all money except general or special taxes, which he receives. It is provided that no money shall be drawn from the treasury by him except on warrant duly countersigned by the mayor. Fees provided by law shall belong to the city. The treasurer may appoint a deputy treasurer, subject to the approval of the commission. He will be required to keep such books and make such reports as the commission may deem necessary.

The supervisors of each ward of the city will be the assessors of the property of the wards under the charter, if adopted, as they are at present. They shall also represent the city at the meetings of the board of supervisors of the county, and discharge this and all other duties that are required of them.

It is required that the city physician treat and care for the indigent sick of the city, and that he shall be the conservator of the public health of the city. To this end he is given the power to investigate and determine the causes of ill health, abate all nuisances, and the causes of contagious diseases so far as possible, and see that all resolutions and ordinances pertaining to the health of the city are enforced. He is given the power to appoint a deputy, subject to the approval of the commission.

It is required that the city attorney shall be the legal advisor of the commission and all city officials. He will be required to represent the city in all legal matters and to prosecute offenses against the ordinances of the city.

The city marshal of Alma will be the chief of police under the charter, and will be under the direction of the mayor. It shall be his duty to see that all the ordinances made for the preservation of the quiet, good order and for the safety and protection of the inhabitants shall be enforced. He shall be required to perform such other duties as are required by the commission.

The charter provides for a building inspector whose duty it will be to perform such duties as the commission may deem necessary with reference to the construction, rebuilding and repair of all buildings in the city with a view of the protection of lives and health of the citizens and the preservation and protection of all buildings and property within the city. He will

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REGISTRATION BIG IN COUNTY

Gratiot One of Few Counties in State to Exceed the Estimates.

ABOUT 4,000 REGISTERED

It is Believed that Very Few of Draft Age in County Failed to Appear.

When the men of Gratiot county registered on Thursday they went way beyond the expectations of the government, there being a registration that was more than ten per cent in excess of what had been looked for in Gratiot.

The exact number of men registered is not known, but the county draft board believes that it will exceed 4,000, as a few registration cards were still coming in the fore part of the week.

Owing to the amount of work that the board has on its hands, and the fact that it was compelled to send in lists of the registered men the cards were mixed, so that the total registration in Alma cannot be told. In one ward in Alma it is known that two men, who should have been previously registered, were listed by the board. It is very probable that these men will be given an opportunity to go into the service immediately or face prosecution as draft evaders.

A number of draft districts in the state exceeded their quotas, but few of them registered a greater per cent over the war department's estimate than did Gratiot. Many of the districts fell below the estimate, and it is very probable that the state will be slightly under the estimate, because of the falling below the estimates in Detroit.

While the day was young many of the boards throughout the county began to send in calls for more registration cards and more registration certificates. Early in the afternoon the entire lot of registration certificates which the board had exhausted, and the men in some of the registration districts, who registered late in the day, did not get their certificates, which are being mailed out from the draft offices since that time.

FURNISH QUARTERS

Saginaw Will Provide for Truck Drivers on Way to Coast.

Wild rumors which have been floating around on the tips of idle tongues, in regard to plant three of the Republic ceasing to make Liberty trucks for Uncle Sam, are given the lie by the following article from the Saginaw News-Courier, which indicates that more Liberty trucks than ever will be constructed in this city:

"Through arrangements concluded Monday by the Soldiers' Welfare committee of the Board of Commerce with President J. E. Anderson of the Y. M. C. A. that building has been placed at the disposal of the soldier committee for housing about 80 truck drivers who will begin to come through this city November 1 at the rate of three and four times a week on the way from Alma to the Atlantic coast. They will make this the first night stop.

"Mayor H. F. Padlock received a letter from the motor convey section asking Saginaw to make arrangements. The mayor turned the letter over to the soldiers' committee and Chairman J. W. Ippel, M. N. Brady and H. E. Oppenheimer went over the 'Y' building Monday morning. General Secretary F. W. Davis showed the committee the advantages. The gym floor is large enough and admirably lighted and heated for sleeping quarters. The drivers bring their own beds. From this room is easily available the showers and pool, the kitchen and the lunch room and the billiard and pool and bowling alleys.

"Secretary Davis and Mr. Anderson have placed the entire building at the disposal of the boys who will come and Chairman Ippel is making arrangements so that there will be a reception committee on hand whenever the truck drivers come to this city."

AUTOMOBILES WANTED

J. C. Chick, who has charge of arrangements for the Jackie band trip through Gratiot county Tuesday, October 1, is very desirous of securing the services of about twenty-five automobiles from this city for the trip to Ithaca and St. Louis.

Those who have automobiles which can be loaned for the band or the state troops, see Mr. Chick, relative to their use.

LAW TAKES POSITION

George Law, formerly of Cadillac, who has been employed during the past year in this city, first at the state of G. J. Maier & Company and then at the Remble, has accepted a position with the Bank of Elwell as cashier. He has already assumed charge of his new work. Mr. Law formerly attended Alma college, and has a solid acquaintance in this city.

MILLER GIVEN LONG SENTENCE

Lansing Man Arrested on a Serious Charge Goes to Marquette.

ACKNOWLEDGED THE CHARGES

Act Committed Early in August When Miller Was Here Visiting.

Frank Miller of Lansing was arrested in that city and brought back to Alma the latter part of last week to face a serious charge which had been preferred against, because of his actions with an eight year old girl who lives in this city. He is forty-one in court.

In circuit court yesterday Miller was given from 5 to 10 years. He was taken to Marquette yesterday by Sheriff Bradford.

Along about the first of August, Miller was in this city, visiting at the home of relatives, and at that time, it is said, he approached a little girl and got her to go with him, at which time he is said to have taken liberties with the little girl, which brought a charge against him of having taken indecent liberties with a female child under the age of fourteen years.

A farmer in a nearby field happened to see what took place and it was reported to the officers and gradually they became satisfied that Miller was the man who was wanted. He had returned to Lansing in the meantime. Word was sent to officers of that city to hold him and a week ago he was returned to Alma. It is said that when arraigned before William H. Rogers, justice of the peace, Miller admitted his actions with the little girl.

He waived examination, and was bound over to circuit court. In default of \$1,000 bail he was sent to the county jail while awaiting sentence in circuit court. In view of his own admissions to the alleged crime, made before Justice Rogers, it is very probable that he will not contest the case in court. He will probably be taken before Judge Moinet this week for sentence.

GOOD AMOUNT COLLECTED

City Treasurer D. W. Adams informs The Alma Record that \$71,496.29 of the city tax has been collected. The amount of the city tax this summer was \$84,168.93, this leaving a balance due of \$12,772.64, the greater part of which will without doubt be collected sooner or later by the treasurer.

Paste the Kaiser with W. S. S.

FIREMEN BUY BONDS

The Alma fire department has about \$350.00 in its pension fund and it has voted to invest this in bonds of the Fourth Liberty Loan.

It is said that the department is also arranging to increase this amount to \$1,350.

MRS. DAY DEAD AT ADVANCED AGE

Pioneer Citizen of this City Died At Her Home Here Last Friday.

Mrs. Cornelia Day, aged 78 years, a resident of this city for many years, died at her home here Friday, September 13, following a long illness.

Cornelia Jane Hildreth was born in the state of New York, May 4, 1840, and died at her home in Alma, Sept. 13. At the age of four years she moved with her parents to Michigan. They settled in Ingham county.

In 1856 she was united in marriage to John N. Day in the city of Detroit. To this union were born twelve children of whom eight are living as follows: Mrs. Maude Keith of Portland, Oregon; William J. Day of Midland, Dr. J. N. Day of Alma, Mrs. Josephine Meyer of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Ida Bigelow of Alma, Mrs. Jennie Woodward of Alma, Mrs. Addie Gibbons of Parson, Kansas, and Mrs. Abbie Wolfe of Alma. She is also survived by twenty-five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren, and by one brother and one sister, James Hildreth of Elm Hall and Mrs. Jane Scott of Traverse City.

Mrs. Day came to Gratiot county with her husband in 1879, and since that time had lived in this section of the state continuously. She had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of this city for many years.

The funeral was held Monday afternoon, and interment was made in Riverside cemetery, the body being laid to rest by the side of that of her husband, who preceded her in death.

MARRIED MONDAY

Miss Lorella Moran of Isabella township, Isabella county, and Mr. Floyd Fuller, late of Oakley, were united in marriage Monday morning at 8 o'clock, at St. Mary's church at Mt. Pleasant, Rev. Fr. McAllister performing the ceremony which united their lives.

A wedding breakfast was served immediately after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, the immediate friends and relatives of the bride and groom being present.

Mr. and Mrs. Fuller will make their home in this city where Mr. Fuller has a position at the Alma State Savings bank.